

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Drawings

Figure 3 of the drawings is objected to because reference character "126" should be --12b-- and one instance of reference character "11d" should be --10d--.

In addition, the Examiner requires that Figure 3 through 8 be labeled as --PRIOR ART--.

Also, the drawings are objected to because in Figures 1 through 10, every line, number, and letter is not durable, clean, black, sufficiently dense and dark, and uniformly thick and well-defined.

In response, a Submission of Replacement Sheet of the Drawings is being filed concurrently herewith in which reference numeral "126" has been changed to --12b-- and reference character "11d" has been changed to --10d-- in Figure 3; reference numeral "73", which is not mentioned in the specification, has been deleted from Figures 1 and 2; and the legend --PRIOR ART-- has been added to Figures 3 through 8. No new matter has been added. It is respectfully submitted that the objections to the drawings has been overcome.

Title

The title has been objected to as not being descriptive. In response, a new title, which is more clearly indicative of the claimed invention, is presented herein for the Examiner's consideration and approval.

Specification

The specification is objected to because of minor informalities noted by the Examiner. The specification has been amended to attend to any informalities, including those kindly identified by the Examiner. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

Claims Status

Claims 1 through 9 remain pending in the application. Claims 1, 3, 6, and 8 have been amended to even more succinctly define the invention and/or to improve their form. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added. Claim 1 is the only independent claim pending in the application.

Allowable Subject Matter

It is acknowledged with appreciation that Claims 1 through 9 are allowed over the prior art of record.

Claim Objections

Claims 1 and 8 are objected to because of minor informalities kindly noted by the Examiner. In response, Claims 1, 3, 6, and 8 have been amended *inter alia* to overcome the grounds of the objections. It is respectfully submitted that the objections have been overcome.

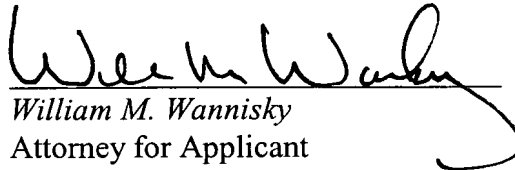
Closing Comments

No art rejections are lodged against the pending claims.

It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are allowable over the art of record and that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application are earnestly solicited.

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